

2013 Mock Newbery Discussion #2

It's time to start taking a close look at the children's novels of 2012. Please read one or (better yet) more books for the first meeting. Participating in the Mock Newbery is an opportunity to read the newest children's books and to discuss them with other passionate readers. Please join us!

Mock Newbery Discussion #2

Wednesday, November 7, 2012

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Providence Athenaeum (Directions below)

Please register for this program: <http://www.olis.ri.gov/services/ce/regist.php>

The Newbery Medal is awarded annually to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children published in the United States during the preceding year. The Award is restricted to authors who are citizens or residents of the United States.

Criteria: 1) In identifying "Distinguished Writing" in a book for children,

a. Committee members need to consider the following:

- Interpretation of the theme or concept
- Presentation of information including accuracy, clarity, and organization
- Development of a plot
- Delineation of characters
- Delineation of setting
- Appropriateness of style

Note: Because the literary qualities to be considered will vary depending on content, the committee need not expect to find excellence in each of the named elements. The book should, however, have distinguished qualities in all of the elements pertinent to it.

b. Committee members must consider excellence of presentation for a child audience.

Voting for a Rhode Island winner and honor books will take place on January 16, 2013 using the balloting procedures of the real committee.

2013 Mock Newbery Reading List #2

1. Hoose, Phillip. *Moonbird: A Year on the Wind with the Great Survivor B95*. (Farrar, Straus, Giroux, 2012)
2. Horvath, Polly. *One Year in Coal Harbor*. (Schwartz & Wade, 2012)
3. Knowles, Jo. *See You at Harry's*. (Candlewick, 2012)
4. Lin, Grace. *Starry River of the Sky*. (Little, Brown, 2012)
5. Moulton, Erin. *Tracing Stars*. (Philomel, 2012)
6. Nielson, Jennifer A. *The False Prince*. (Scholastic, 2012)
7. Schlitz, Laura Amy. *Splendors and Glooms*. (Candlewick, 2012)
8. Schmidt, Gary. *What Came from the Stars*. (Clarion, 2012)
9. Stead, Rebecca. *Liar & Spy*. (Wendy Lamb Books, 2012)
10. Stone, Phoebe. *The Boy on Cinnamon Street*. (Scholastic, 2012)

Dropped on 10/3/2012

1. Cheng, Andrea. *The Year of the Book*. (Houghton Mifflin, 2012)
2. Hartman, Rachel. *Seraphina*. (Random House, 2012)

3. Hiaasen, Carl. *Chomp*. (Alfred A. Knopf, 2012)
4. Losure, Mary. *The Fairy Ring: Or Elsie and Frances Fool the World*. (Candlewick, 2012)
5. Pennypacker, Sarah. *Summer of the Gypsy Moths*. (Balzer + Bray, 2012)
6. Rose, Caroline Starr. *May B*. (Schwartz + Wade, 2012)
7. Turnage, Sheila. *Three Times Lucky*. (Dial, 2012)

On the Final List for January 16, 2013 (from the New Children's Literature Discussion Group, spring 2012):

1. Applegate, Katherine. *The One and Only Ivan*. (Harper, 2012)
2. Levine, Kristin. *The Lions of Little Rock*. (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2012)
3. Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux. *No Crystal Stair*. (Carolrhoda, 2012)
4. Palacio, R.J. *Wonder*. (Alfred A. Knopf, 2012)
5. Wright, Barbara. *Crow*. (Random House, 2012)

Please feel free to send suggested titles to: cheryl.space@olis.ri.gov

Continuing sessions:

Mock Newbery Discussion #3
 Wednesday, December 5, 2012
 St. Andrews School, Barrington
 7:00 PM. – 9:00 PM.

Mock Newbery Discussion #4 (voting meeting)
 Wednesday, January 16, 2013
 Oak Lawn Branch Library, Cranston
 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Directions to Providence Athenaeum, 251 Benefit Street, Providence, RI 02903:

From I-195

I-195 East-bound, take Exit 1 Downtown Providence, and at the first traffic light turn right onto Dyer Street. Continue to the third set of lights and take a right turn onto College Street. Proceed through the first traffic light (South Main Street). You will be heading uphill. The first stop sign is Benefit Street and the Athenaeum is directly across the street on your right.

I-195 West-bound, take Exit 2 for South Main Street. Continue to the first traffic light and take a right at that light onto College Street. You will be heading uphill. The first stop sign is Benefit Street and the Athenaeum is directly across the street on your right.

From I-95

Take Exit 22A to Downtown Providence. Continue straight on Memorial Boulevard. Next, turn left onto College Hill at the 4th set of traffic lights. Proceed through the next set of lights (South Main Street) and up the hill. The first stop sign is Benefit Street and the Athenaeum is directly across the street on your right.